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ISLAND KAMAIIA DIES AT KOOLAPOKO

One of the oldest kamaianas on Oahu, Mrs. Maria S. Davis, died at her home at Mokapu, Koolau, on Tuesday, December 15, in the eighty-fifth year of her life. The body was brought to Honolulu yesterday and will be interred this afternoon.

Mrs. Davis was born in Honolulu in January, 1824, and lived on this island all her life. She was twice married, her first husband having been Henry Sea, the first Marshal of the Kingdom. After his death she married Robert Davis, a well-known man in his lifetime, having been one of the judges of the Kingdom. She leaves one son, Robert W. Davis, of Koolau; a daughter, Mrs. James A. King, of Honolulu, and a brother, John K. Sumner, of Honolulu, besides a number of grandchildren and grandnephews and nieces. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at three o'clock at the Roman Catholic cathedral, the funeral to take place from Townsend's undertaking parlors. The interment will be in the Roman Catholic cemetery on King street.

DISCUSSED CAMP PROHIBITION MEASURE

The special committee appointed at the recent meeting of the Central Improvement Club to draft a bill for submission to the Legislature with the object of meeting the objections raised concerning the building of tenement camps in the residential districts, had a meeting in the Attorney-General's office on Tuesday night, at which the particulars of the proposed measure were talked over. At the conference were C. W. Ashford, Judge Weaver, Professor Gilmore, Deputy Attorney-General Whitney, T. F. Lansing and Supervisor-elect Logan.

The bill as proposed is one to empower the Board of Supervisors to legislate against the nuisance, in addition to which was talked over a proposed ordinance for the Supervisors to consider when the necessary powers had been conferred on them. It was decided also to recommend to the Supervisors the passage of an ordinance drafted by A. G. M. Robertson, which goes further than the ordinance now being tested in the courts, and forbids the occupancy of the tenement houses already erected within 500 feet of a schoolhouse.

KAPAA LANDS WILL SOON BE HOMESTEADED

Within a very short time the Kapaa lands, the object of so much recent negotiations which proved abortive, will be settled on the 999-year leasehold system by Hawaiian homesteaders, according to the reports brought back from the Garden Island by Land Commissioner Pratt, who returned to his office from there yesterday. He visited

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the lands in question, which have been staked off into lots, in company with Superintendent of Public Works Marston Campbell. He said, concerning the successful outcome of his visit:

"We have managed to get everything in pretty good shape in regard to the town lots and out of about thirty people who want lots all but six or seven will be able to have just what they have selected. The matter of the selecting of homesteads in the upper lands was also taken up and satisfactory arrangements have been made.

"In regard to the selection of the locations. They are on the 999-year lease proposition, and will be taken up mainly by the Hawaiians, who seem to prefer this form of land contract more than the other nationalities.

"Our trip was a very successful one, taken all in all, and I shall be able to make a complete report to Acting Governor Mott-Smith in regard to Kapaa."

M'BRIDE WANTS THE PRICE TO COME HOME

Cladius H. McBride, private secretary to the Governor and runner-down of bad Chinamen, wants to come home, his desire being made apparent in a cabled request made yesterday of the Acting Governor for sixty dollars for an Alameda ticket. The cable also sprang the possibility that he would bring the Governor back with him on the Alameda, although the Governor is in Washington and so far away from his secretary that the sailing on that liner would be a physical impossibility. The text of McBride's swift communication was:

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